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CLASSIFICATION S-E-C-H-E-T REPORT CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INFORMATION REPORT CD NO. COUNTRY DATE DISTR. 26 May 1955 East Germany NO. OF PAGES SUBJECT Former Armament Enterprises in Suhl NO OF ENCLS. **PLACE ACQUIRED** SUPPLEMENT TO 25X1 DATE OF INFO REPORT NO. THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENS OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18. SECTIONS 793 AND 794. OF THE U. S. COOL, AS AMEDIND. ITS TRANSMISSION OR BEVEL ATION OF ITS CONTESTS TO OR SECRIFY BY AN MEANTMOSTER PERSON IS PROMISSITED BY LAW THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROMISSION. THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION 25X1 As in 1954, the VEB Pahrzeug- und Geraetewirk (vehicle and in arcitus plant) Simson at Suhl is scheduled to produce 750 bicycles daily and 650 motor-cycles per month in 1955. In February, five units of a newly developed motor scooter were built and subject to trial runs. The motor scooters were copied from eight motor scooters of Western manufacture. 2 In February 1955, the VEB Ernst-Thaelmann Works at Suhl were still manufacturing household goods. There were no indications of a shift in production. 25X1 Comment. The VEB Fahrzeug- und Geraetework Simson produces 1. type ANO motorcycles. The 1953 production target was 17,000 units, of which 11,390 units were completed by 31 August 1953. The monthly production of 650 motorcycles as mentioned in the report for 1954 would make an annual total of only 7,800 to 8,000 motorcycles. bicycles, the 1953 production target was 230,000 units. A daily production of 750 bycicles would make an annual production of about 225,000 units. Comment. In the East German press, it was mentioned that the VEB Fahrzeug- und GeraetewerkSimson would start the quantity production 25X1 of bicycles fitted with a 48 cubic centimeter engine in 1955. The information that the enterprise was going to build motor scooters is received for the first time. Until now, the VEB Industriewerk budwigs= felde has been the only industrial enterprise to manufacture a motor scooter of the Pitty type . 25X1 CLASSIFICATION S-E-C-R-E-T DISTRIBUTION X NAVY X NSRB 25X1 STATE #X AIR X FBI